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## USFOR-A SAFETY ALERT GROUND GUIDE SAFETY

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Ground guiding is a task almost every Soldier performs, but when not done safely, may result in <u>DEATH</u>, <u>INJURY, or DAMAGE</u>. AR 385-10 requires the use of ground guides and training per <u>TC 21-305-20, TC 21-306</u>, <u>& FM 21-60</u>. The new <u>TC 7-31</u> provides ground guide safety procedures specific to MRAPs. To perform these duties safely, review and train to these references and practice the following ground guide safety rules:

## **GROUND GUIDES MUST:**

- ✓ Be trained on and use Visual Signals from FM 21-60
- ✓ Position 10 yards to the left front of the vehicle so they can see the driver at all times and the other ground guide when two or more are used
- ✓ Never run or walk backwards while guiding, stop the vehicle and reposition
- ✓ Never get between the vehicle and another object when ground guiding to prevent being crushed in case of an engine surge or loss of control
- ✓ Use a flashlight at night to ensure they & their visual signals are seen.

## **DRIVERS WILL:**

- ✓ Stop if ground guides signals not understood or they lose sight of them
- ✓ Stop the vehicle if they see the ground guide in a dangerous position and make an on-the-spot correction
- ✓ Use two ground guides (front & rear) when visibility is limited by the vehicle or the conditions. A third may be needed to compensate for blind spots.
- ✓ Take direction from the primary ground guide when more than one is used. This must be briefed beforehand to avoid confusion.

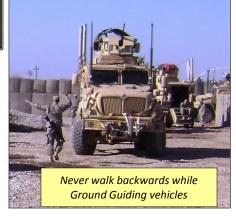
<u>Drivers & Ground Guides</u> must <u>ALL</u> be trained on Visual Signals

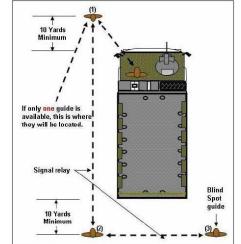












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